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Sixth Annual Exhibition POCAHONTAS COUNTY FAIR

Marlinton, West Virginia

August 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22

Beginning Monday, August 18, at 4 p. m.

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EDUCATION AND THE BALLOT BOX

No doubt a good many parents living on farms are still debating whether or not they will send the boys and girls to high schools, who last spring, completed the courses offered in the small district schools. Only one month remains in which to make this decision. Upon it rests the future welfare, not only of the boys and girls, but to a considerable extent that of the nation itself, for within a few years these boys and girls will be voters. By means of the ballot they will help decide upon the officers who shall administer the laws of our States and Nation and so upon the nature of the laws by which we shall be governed.

On the Fourth of July President Coolidge said in an address before the teachers of the United States, meeting in Washington, "America has placed the power of government squarely, securely, and entirely in the hands of the people. For all changes which they may desire, for all grievances which they may suffer, the ballot box furnishes a complete method and remedy. Into their hands has been committed complete jurisdiction and control over all the functions of government. The body politic has little chance of choosing patriotic officials who can administer its financial affairs with wisdom and safety, unless there is a general diffusion of knowledge and information on elementary economic subjects sufficient to create and adequately to guide public opinion."

Practically every President from Washington to Coolidge has warned us that the improvement of American institutions depends upon the intelligence of the voters. Think of this mothers and fathers, living on the farms, before you decide not to give your boys and girls and the nation's future voters the advantages of a high school education.

A few more days and then the call of the schoolroom will be answered by over 300,000 rural boys and girls throughout the land. Most of them will enter buildings freshly cleaned, some redecorated, to make them more pleasant and suitable "temples of learning." A few will enter new buildings dedicated "to the community and to common cause of a better life for all."

Most of this youthful throng are eager to return and join their school friends. Most of them will enter advanced grades with new fields of study to explore. Most of them will have new teachers. About one-fifth of them will be entering school for the first time. A few of them will be entering schools in new communities into which they have moved or to which they must go for advanced educational instruction.

Everything possible should be done to make the first week a red letter week for the beginners and the newcomers, to be remembered by them for the remainder of their lives. First impressions are lasting impressions. A favorable attitude towards school and community gained during these first few days will largely determine the wholeheartedness with which these pupils will enter into co-operation with the school and its enlarged society.

Just as first impressions largely determine the attitude of the pupils so do they affect the teacher. The teacher should become an integral part of the community during her period of tenure. Most teachers realize this and are glad to respond to the welcome extended them by the community. The teacher will not only be happier but she, in increased service, will repay the community for any efforts expended in her behalf.

At the recent county life conference held on Knapps Creek, the community scored 689 points. This compares with 690 points for Edray; 608 for Elk; 802 for Hillsboro; 742 for Greenbank. Knapps Creek came up strong on their good, well kept homes. A community council was organized by the election of J. C. Harper chairman; health, Mrs. Maggie Lockridge; recreation, Neal Pritchard; soils and crops, Coe Beverage; livestock, Sherman Gibson; and D. W. Dever, schools; Peter Collins; churches, Mrs. Myrta Moore; 4 H clubs, Miss Enid Harper.

COUNTY CAMP

The seventh annual encampment of the Pocahontas County Boys' and Girls' Agricultural Clubs is being held at the Fair Grounds this week. County Agent Willey is assisted by the following instructors:

French Hyre, Leader, charting Four-H Department.
Harold Thomas, Handicraft.
Maggie Ballard, Sanitation.
Mabel Saunders, Rug making
Melvina Wyant, Basketry
Luke Frame, camp police
Virginia Gay, Vespers
Clarence May, camp inspector and house plans.
Katherine Moore, Records
Elizabeth Blackhurst, Athletics
Edith McClung, Points.
Camp Schedule:
6 30 Rising bell
6 40 Setting up Exercise
7 30 Breakfast
8 15 Classes 11 00 Assembly
12 00 Dinner 12 45 Rest Period
1 30 Tribal meetings
2 00 Boating 3 00 Games
4 30 Swimming 6 00 Supper
7 00 Vespers 8 00 Council circle
9 00 Bed 9 45 Lights out

On Monday over thirty boys and girls had registered for the camp with others to come in. The girls are housed in the Agricultural Hall, and the boys under the grandstand. The camp is starting off under the most favorable auspices. The Fair Grounds furnish an ideal location.

The campers are Lynn McLaughlin, Elizabeth Sheets, Gay Hannah, Oleta Varner, Garland Harless, Virginia Moore, Francis Stillwell, Nita Gladwell, Mary Burns, Emmagene Robertson, Jewell Poage, Elizabeth Bailey, Laura McLaughlin, Preston McLaughlin, Rodney Siple, James Bailey, Earl Bailey, Harold Stillwell, Herbert Brown, Merl Simmons, Paul Brown, Henry Barlow, Margaret Wallace, Ida Clendenen, Elnita Rogers, Thelma Brown, Margaret Robertson, Clara Dilley, Wilma Nottingham.

SHEEP AT FAIR

Last year a number of people were heard to say that they had better sheep at home than some that were on exhibition at the Pocahontas County Fair.

Please don't let that happen again. Every person with a registered sheep owes it to his county to exhibit it this year at the Fair. This is a sheep county and we all want a real sheep show this year. There will be plenty of good feed, and an attendant who will feed and care for the sheep on exhibition. Sheep are easily brought to the Fair at small expense. It is expected that there will be sheep from other counties, but the management is especially anxious to have the biggest possible exhibit of sheep owned by Pocahontas people. There is still plenty of time to put sheep in shape, and every owner of a registered sheep is urged to do everything he can to make the sheep show a success.

John W. Kelley, of Browns Mountain, was in town Saturday to swear himself out a hunting and fishing license. He is a farmer after his own heart. When the sawmills began to invade his neighborhood and there was sale for the standing timber, he measured himself off ten acres of his choicest woodland as a sanctuary for birds, squirrels, and other small game animals; where he could go and get himself a mess of squirrels or pheasants, in season, and where birds and animals can always find homes and an abundance of things to eat. This boundary has the finest of hickory, chestnut, oak and other trees, and the sawmills will stay off it.

J. B. Simmons of Watoga was in Marlinton Monday to put his son Merle in the Boys' and Girls' Agricultural Camp at the Fair Grounds. This is Merle's second season at the Camp. Mr. Simmons tells us that a coal bank is being opened on the West side of the Greenbrier River at the lower end of his farm. The tunnel has been driven in about twenty feet and they now have a good vein of coal eleven inches thick and getting thicker.

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For Vice President—Charles W. Bryan of Nebraska.
For U. S. Senate—William E. Chilton of Charleston.
For Congress, 1st District—J. Alfred Taylor of Fayetteville.
For Governor—Jake Fisher of Sutton.
For State Senate—F. B. Kidd of Glenville.
For House of Delegates—Pocahontas county, R. F. Hill.
For Sheriff—W. H. Barlow.
For Prosecuting Attorney—A. P. Edgar.
For County Commissioner—H. H. Hudson.
For Assessor—J. Elmer Moore.

For more years than this writer like to recall, that veteran showman, Fletcher Smith has been bringing a circus to Marlinton. For many seasons it was the Sparks Show, but this grew to be too large for this town, and it just naturally looked like this place would know the Colonel no more. But Tuesday morning early he breezed in as regular as ever; said howdy to the office force; tried his hand at the type case; took up the advertising cuts; paid the big and make himself just generally agreeable. He had hired out with another show, Christy Brothers, and fetched them to his old stamping grounds in West Virginia and Virginia. He always has a good show, that comes back and plays to larger crowds each season. There are no short cuts nor loose business with the Colonel. He knows the show business from the ground up and down. On Tuesday they were short a player for the big steam piano; he just sat on the music box and touched off the latest jazz tunes till you could hear it a mile. "Annie Rooney" would have been moore to my taste however. The circus Tuesday was a good show and a good crowd came to town, in spite of the hay weather and closed roads.

The Bank of Marlinton has gotten out a beautiful wall chart of useful information, with a picture of the White House and pictures of President Coolidge and Charles G. Davis, John W. Davis and Governor Charles W. Bryan. The chart gives the presidents of the United States, their terms of office, and a quotation from each; the members of the United States Senate; returns of recent presidential elections and other interesting information.

Monday night at 10:05 p. m. a falling star was observed at Marlinton. It fell perpendicular and the direction from here was north. In appearance it was a bright white light and about as large as the sun. It fell slowly to the horizon and just before it reached it the light died away as if it had burned itself out.

E. M. Smith caught the big trout of Elk River last week. It was a rainbow twenty-two inches long and weighed four and a half pounds. This trout lived in a big pool two miles below the commissary at Laurel Creek.

Adam C. Moore has moved into his fine new residence on the Jericho road.
J. C. Haupt is recovering from a severe illness.

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The Civil Service Commission invites special attention to the fact that in examinations held recently in Elkins, and other cities throughout the United States for positions of matron and seamstress in the Indian Service, applicants were not secured in the number desired, and that these examinations will be held again on September 3 and 4, respectively.

Persons interested in these or other examinations should apply to the Secretary of the United States Civil Service Board at the local post office for detailed information and application blanks.

Invitations were sent to Judge Jake Fisher and Hon. Howard Gore, Democratic and Republican nominees for Governor, to attend the Pocahontas County Fair and deliver addresses. Judge Fisher has responded and will be here on Thursday August 21. The Judge is widely known and very popular in Pocahontas county, and every one is glad that he will be able to attend the Fair. Up to the time this paper is printed no word has been received from Mr. Gore.

Bert Feaster came in with four big mud catfishes from the Buckeye Eddy Tuesday morning the result of night tines. The largest was a mud cat thirty inches long which weighed twelve pounds. The next was twenty-four inches and the other two smaller.

HOMECOMING DAY

POCAHONTAS COUNTY FAIR
AUGUST 19, 1924

As in the past this day has been set apart and designated as Home Coming Day on which Day we especially invite all native Pocahontas people, and those who have made this county their home at any time, to return and be present and spend a day or the week meeting and greet old friends and acquaintances. We are arranging a special program for Tuesday the 19th, and will have old time music by the band and addresses. The management would be very glad if the people of this county who have friends from out of the county who are coming to the Fair if they would let them know beforehand so that we can be on the look out for them and give them a welcome and show them some special attention.

Last week an army of fourteen officers, national, state, county and district, were in the Sinks Country of upper Pocahontas to clean up the moonshiners. Three arrests were made, Glenn Lambert, Richard Wimer and Albert Bent. These men were before United States Commissioner A. E. Smith, and all were held for the federal grand jury. On last Friday morning federal officers took four men and two women to the Kanawha jail on charges of violating the prohibition laws: Richard Wimer, Albert Bent, George Fink, Joshua Jones, Susanna Jones and Vergie Jones.

Charles McComb is seriously ill at his home on Beaver Creek.

LAW SUITS DOWN THE RIVER

Summers county has declared war on Pocahontas county and is seeking to drive certain industries out of the State as that county drove away the biggest paper mill that was ever promised to West Virginia. After the industry had secured a site for the mill at Caldwell threats such as these caused it to be moved Covington, Virginia. The result was that the village of Covington became a city. The industries of Pocahontas county do not pollute the running water any more than does the city of Hinton. The industries of this county use the streams in a reasonable way. What the citizens of this county fear is not prosecution but that the industries be lost to the State through persecution.

Alfred Baughman, of Tioga, spent a couple of days last week with his aunt, Mrs. J. H. Buzzard, near Huntersville. His mother was an Alderman of Beaver Creek. On a visit to her old home a year or so ago, she became suddenly sick and died. Mr. Baughman had not been in Pocahontas since his early childhood. He walked through the mountains, both coming and going, and stopped on Days Run with Edmund Buzzard, who is camped there with a force of men doing a lot of work on his grazing land.

Married, July 26, 1924, at the Methodist parsonage, by Rev. J. H. Billingsley, Clarence Kellison and Lilly Palmer Sharp, both of Pocahontas county.

Mrs. W. H. Hiner is suffering with a severe sprained ankle, received in a fall, Monday.

SHOOTING AT BURNSIDE

Henry T. Gum Suffers a Gun Wound

Tuesday, Deputy Sheriff T. A. Bruffey brought the following prisoners to the court-house:
C. M. Shields, aged 46, charged with wounding C. M. Gum with a stone.
Brent Shields, 17 years old, charged with wounding Mrs. Esta Gum by hitting her over the head with a shot gun.
Charles Shields aged 23 years, charged with wounding Henry T. Gum with a shot gun.

The two last named are sons of the first named. The Shields are farmers and have a part of the old Burnside plantation adjoining the Gums who have the old homestead part of the Burnside farm.

There has been litigation and much ill feeling between the Shields and Gums.

Monday evening about 7:30 two of the Shields children, the boy Brent and his young sister Leslie were returning from Hillsboro and passed by the Gum house and there a fuss started between the Shields children and some of the Gums. The noise of the disturbance brought the Shields from their house and the Gums from theirs, and there was a great racket. Then a shot was heard and it seems to have taken effect in Henry T. Gum's hand which was badly shot away and sixteen shot entered his body over the stomach, and he is considered to be seriously and dangerously shot. A second shot was heard but it is believed that it was accidentally discharged in a struggle for the gun.

Gum is a man apparently between sixty and seventy years of age. Examination was waived before Squire Larue and bond fixed at \$500 each for C. M. Shields and Brent Shields, and \$1000 for Charles Shields which bail they expected to give at the time they were placed in jail. The State asked that the question of bail be deferred until it was seen how seriously Gum was wounded. It is impossible to give a detailed account of the quarrel.

Twenty or more automobiles went from Marlinton to the Moose Memorial service at Beulah church, Highland county, Sunday, Rev. F. B. Wyand preached the sermon in the afternoon. The congregation numbered one thousand or more. A bountiful dinner was served, and the Marlinton people were shown special courtesy and consideration.

Charles N. McComb died at his home on Beaver Creek, Monday afternoon, July 29, 1924. His age was 72 years. Burial on his farm Tuesday afternoon. The deceased was a son of the late Price McComb. He is survived by his sister, Mrs. G. W. Wagner, of Marlinton; and his brothers, Willis, George and Beckley. Mr. McComb first married Miss Mary Alderman. They were the parents of seven children. He is survived by his second wife and their three children.

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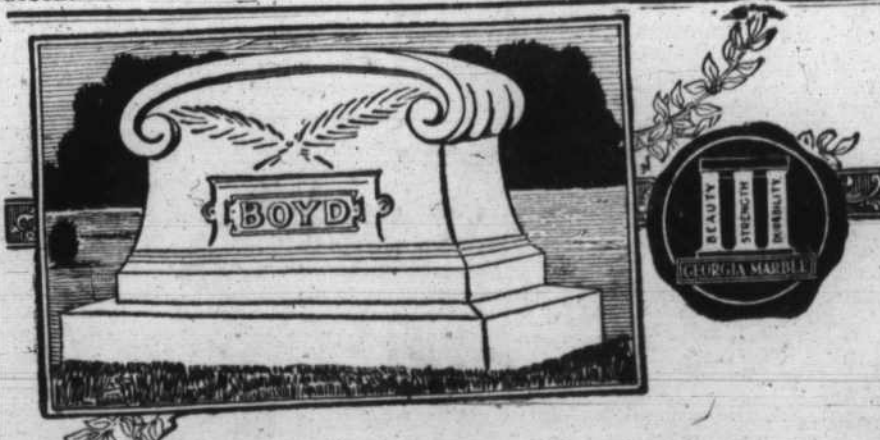
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